

Newsletter 3 – SBC, Local Delivery Plans and Annual Reviews

Welcome back to our newsletter, with a warm welcome to those who are joining us for the first time. This newsletter brings you an update about what is happening to support Shifting the Balance of Care implementation.

Key message: Health Boards will be incorporating their SBC priorities into their Local Delivery Plans. These priorities should relate to the 8 improvement areas described within the Improvement Framework which support the delivery of NHS outcomes and targets and community care outcomes. Local plans for delivering whole system SBC change should have a clear line of sight into workforce development, e-health and e-care strategies, and infrastructure investment plans. SBC will be a key feature of discussions at Board Annual reviews.

SBC Improvement Framework

The SBC Improvement Framework comprises a detailed description of the current aims of Shifting the Balance of Care and most notably the 8 Improvement areas. It was discussed at recent meetings of the Ministerial Strategy Group and Scottish Government Health Management Board. It is intended to form the basis for local priorities and actions to improve health, and to improve services and care for local people.

The SBC Improvement Framework will be distributed (in electronic format) to Health Board Leads, Policy Leads and other interested parties. The full report will be available shortly on our website:

www.shiftingthebalance.scot.nhs.uk

SBC Website updates

Our website is constantly being updated with minutes of recent meetings and presentations from conferences, as well as our own information on current directions of Shifting the Balance of Care.

We continue to also work on our Evidence & Good Practice section, adding links on a weekly basis; this section contains not only published reports, but also a variety of tools and guides that you might find useful. So keep visiting us at:

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Re-aligning Resources to support SBC

NHS Boards and Partnerships are at different stages of developing the Integrated Resource Framework to support SBC. The majority of Boards have either mapped resource or are in the process of mapping resource activity to populations.

During 2009/10, the work in the first phase will continue, with those Boards that have committed to map resources producing results by September. We will share the learning from phase one in the autumn. Phase two will establish and evaluate test sites in a limited number of Partnerships and share the learning. This will test how best resources can be made to follow the patient, both within the NHS and between the NHS and LA, and will consider , for example, protocols for:

- Planning budgets for total resources committed for CHP populations;
- Planning budgets for Care Programmes (e.g. Mental Illness; Older People);
- Practical planning tariffs to define the resource levels expected to fund hospital capacity, and the resource expected to follow patients to alternative care settings;
- Non-recurrent stepped “Parachute” allocations to hospital budgets to provide stability while costs are reduced in line with changing activity;
- Development of benchmark Social Care costs and Tariffs;
- Integrated or pooled budgets for Health and Adult Social Care; and
- Lead commissioner models.

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SBC Delivery Group

The national SBC Delivery Group last met on 5 March. All SBC minutes are available on our website. The last 2 meetings have included ‘challenge sessions’ where Scottish Government policy leads are asked to describe how their policies support SBC. The aim is to make sure these work streams are fully aligned with the SBC direction of travel. Sessions so far have focused on:

- eHealth
- Long Term Conditions
- 18 week Referral To Treatment

The next meeting (in June) will explore the alignment of Palliative and End of Life Care with shifting the balance of care.

Dates for the diary

30 April 2009 **Better Health Connections: Health improvement through local Intermediaries**
Novotel, Edinburgh Park
-Contact Voluntary Health Scotland for more info.

14 May 2009 **Long Term Conditions Collaborative: Towards the Tipping Point**
Heriot-Watt, Edinburgh
-Contact Kathryn.Bell@Scotland.gsi.gov.uk

28 May 12.30 -5pm **Heinz Wolff seminar**
Dundee- tbc

16 - 17 June 2009 **NHSScotland Event 2009: Working Together for a Healthier Scotland**
Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre (SECC), Glasgow . Details at www.nhsscotlandevent.com

10-11 Sept 2009 **Association of CHPs Annual Conference and AGM** East Kilbride
Details from laing.jim@btinternet.com .